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Audience

This publication is for network administrators who install, configure, and maintain Cisco Nexus switches.

Document Conventions

Command descriptions use the following conventions:

Convention	Description
bold	Bold text indicates the commands and keywords that you enter literally as shown.
Italic	Italic text indicates arguments for which the user supplies the values.
[x]	Square brackets enclose an optional element (keyword or argument).
[x y]	Square brackets enclosing keywords or arguments separated by a vertical bar indicate an optional choice.
{x y}	Braces enclosing keywords or arguments separated by a vertical bar indicate a required choice.
[x {y z}]	Nested set of square brackets or braces indicate optional or required choices within optional or required elements. Braces and a vertical bar within square brackets indicate a required choice within an optional element.

Convention	Description
variable	Indicates a variable for which you supply values, in context where italics cannot be used.
string	A nonquoted set of characters. Do not use quotation marks around the string or the string will include the quotation marks.

Examples use the following conventions:

Convention	Description
screen font	Terminal sessions and information the switch displays are in screen font.
boldface screen font	Information you must enter is in boldface screen font.
italic screen font	Arguments for which you supply values are in italic screen font.
<>	Nonprinting characters, such as passwords, are in angle brackets.
	Default responses to system prompts are in square brackets.
!,#	An exclamation point (!) or a pound sign (#) at the beginning of a line of code indicates a comment line.

Related Documentation for Cisco Nexus 3600 Platform Switches

The entire Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switch documentation set is available at the following URL:

http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/switches/nexus-3000-series-switches/tsd-products-support-series-home.html

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Preface



New and Changed Information

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New and Changed Information

Table 1: New and Changed Features

Feature	Description	Changed in Release	Where Documented
Bundle NX-OS image with EPLD Image	EPLD image is bundled with NX-OS image	10.5(3)F	Software Image, on page 3
			Cisco NX-OS Software Upgrade Guidelines, on page 5
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			NX-OS Upgrade History, on page 12
NA	No feature updates for this release.	10.5(1)F	NA

New and Changed Information



Upgrading or Downgrading the Cisco Nexus 3600 Series NX-OS Software

This chapter describes how to upgrade or downgrade the Cisco NX-OS software. It contains the following sections:

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- Cisco NX-OS Software Upgrade Guidelines, on page 5
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Software Image

Each device is shipped with the Cisco NX-OS software. The Cisco NX-OS software consists of one NXOS software image. The image filename begins with **nxos**.

Only this image is required to load the Cisco NX-OS operating system. This image runs on all Cisco Nexus 3600 Series switches.



Note

- Starting from Cisco NX-OS Release 10.5(3)F, Cisco NX-OS no longer provides a separate EPLD image.
 The EPLD image is bundled with the NX-OS images and so the image sizes are correspondingly larger.
- Until Cisco NX-OS Release 10.5(2)F, Cisco provided separate electronic programmable logic device (EPLD) image upgrades to enhance hardware functionality or to resolve known hardware issues. For more information on EPLD images and the upgrade process, refer to the relevant version of *Cisco Nexus* 3600 Platform FPGA/EPLD Upgrade Release Notes on Cisco.com
- Another type of binary file is the software maintenance upgrade (SMU) package file. SMUs contain fixes
 for specific defects. They are created to respond to immediate issues and do not include new features.
 SMU package files are available for download from Cisco.com and generally include the ID number of
 the resolved defect in the filename. For more information on SMUs, see the *Performing Software Maintenance Upgrades (SMUs)* chapter in Cisco Nexus 3600 System Management Configuration Guide.
- For information about the supported upgrade paths, see Cisco Nexus 9000 and 3000 Upgrade and ISSU Matrix.

EPLD image

The Cisco Nexus 3636C-R and 36180YC-R NX-OS mode switches contain several programmable logical devices (PLDs) that provide hardware functions in all modules. Cisco provides electronic programmable logic device (EPLD) image upgrades to enhance hardware functions or to resolve known issues. PLDs include electronic programmable logic devices (EPLDs), field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs), and complex programmable logic devices (CPLDs), but they do not include ASICs. In this document, the term EPLD is used for FPGA and CPLDs.



Note

- For more information regarding EPLD, refer to Cisco Nexus 3600 Platform FPGA/EPLD Upgrade Release Notes on Cisco.com.
- Until Cisco NX-OS Release 10.5(2)F, ISSU supports EPLD image upgrades using the **install all nxos**<*nxos-image*>**epld**<*epld-image*> command during disruptive system (NX-OS) upgrade.
- While upgrading from pre-10.5(3)F releases to 10.5(3)F and later, you need to upgrade to 10.5(3) NX-OS first using the **install all**<*nxos-image*> command. After the NX-OS upgrade is complete, you can upgrade EPLD using the **install epld** command.
- Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 10.5(3)F, EPLD upgrade takes place during an ISSU system upgrade. If you need to avoid EPLD upgrade, use the **skip-epld** option. Do not use the **epld** option as the EPLD image is bundled with the NX-OS images and a separate EPLD image is no longer provided.

Recommendations for Upgrading the Cisco NX-OS Software

Cisco recommends performing a Nexus Health and Configuration Check before performing an upgrade. The benefits include identification of potential issues, susceptible Field Notices and Security Vulnerabilities,

missing recommended configurations and so on. For more information about the procedure, see Perform Nexus Health and Configuration Check.

Cisco NX-OS Software Upgrade Guidelines



Note

The Cisco Nexus 3600 Series NX-OS Release Notes contain specific upgrade guidelines for each release. See the Release Notes before starting the upgrade.

Before attempting to upgrade to any software image, follow these guidelines:

- Schedule the upgrade when your network is stable and steady.
- Avoid any power interruption, which could corrupt the software image, during the installation procedure.
- On devices with dual supervisor modules, both supervisor modules must have connections on the console
 ports to maintain connectivity when switchovers occur during a software upgrade. See the Hardware
 Installation Guide for your specific chassis.
- If you upgrade from a Cisco NX-OS release that supports the CoPP feature to a Cisco NX-OS release
 that supports the CoPP feature with additional classes for new protocols, you must either run the setup
 utility using the setup command or use the copp profile command for the new CoPP classes to be
 available. For more information on these commands, see the "Configuring Control Plane Policing" chapter
 in the Cisco Nexus 3600 Series NX-OS Security Configuration Guide.
- When you upgrade from an earlier release to a Cisco NX-OS release that supports switch profiles, you have the option to move some of the running-configuration commands to a switch profile. For more information, see the Cisco Nexus 3600 Series NX-OS System Management Configuration Guide.
- By default, the software upgrade process is disruptive.
- Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 10.4(2)F, for Nexus 3600-R platform, to upgrade bios to the latest version you should first upgrade to nxos image. This release onwards, the install all nxos command only upgrades the nxos sw to the latest version but the bios image will be upgraded to the last bios released prior to 10.4(2)F version.

To upgrade to bios released with 10.4(2)F or higher version, first upgrade the nxos image and then use bios-force option to upgrade the bios. For example,

- 1. Install all nxos bootflash:nxos64-msll.10.4.2.F.bin.

 The system reloads and boots up with 10.4(2)F image.
- 2. Install all nxos bios-force.



Note

The device reloads twice, once for nxos upgrade and then again for bios upgrade.

 Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 10.5(3)F, all NX-OS images are bundled with EPLD image and EPLD upgrade is triggered automatically as part of the install all nxos command. However, you have the option to skip the EPLD image upgrade.

Prerequisites for Upgrading the Cisco NX-OS Software

Upgrading the Cisco NX-OS software has the following prerequisites:

- Ensure that everyone who has access to the device or the network is not configuring the device or the network during this time. You cannot configure a device during an upgrade. Use the **show configuration session summary** command to verify that you have no active configuration sessions.
- Save, commit, or discard any active configuration sessions before upgrading or downgrading the Cisco NX-OS software image on your device.
- On a device with dual supervisors, the active supervisor module cannot switch over to the standby supervisor module during the Cisco NX-OS software upgrade if you have an active configuration session.
- Ensure that the device has a route to the remote server. The device and the remote server must be in the same subnetwork if you do not have a router to route traffic between subnets. To verify connectivity to the remote server, use the **ping** command.

```
switch# ping 172.18.217.1 vrf management
PING 172.18.217.1 (172.18.217.1): 56 data bytes
64 bytes from 172.18.217.1: icmp_seq=0 ttl=239 time=106.647 ms
64 bytes from 172.18.217.1: icmp_seq=1 ttl=239 time=76.807 ms
64 bytes from 172.18.217.1: icmp_seq=2 ttl=239 time=76.593 ms
64 bytes from 172.18.217.1: icmp_seq=3 ttl=239 time=81.679 ms
64 bytes from 172.18.217.1: icmp_seq=3 ttl=239 time=81.679 ms
64 bytes from 172.18.217.1: icmp_seq=4 ttl=239 time=76.5 ms
--- 172.18.217.1 ping statistics ---
5 packets transmitted, 5 packets received, 0.00% packet loss round-trip min/avg/max = 76.5/83.645/106.647 ms
```

For more information on configuration sessions, see the *Cisco Nexus 3000 Series NX-OS System Management Configuration Guide*.

Upgrading the Cisco NX-OS Software

Use this procedure to upgrade to a Cisco NX-OS 10.5(x) release. Before upgrading, it is recommended to verify the source (Current Release) and destination (Target Release) version using the Cisco Nexus 9000 and 3000 ISSU Support Matrix available on Cisco.com.



Note

To upgrade from Cisco NX-OS Release 9.2(1), you must set the boot variable, copy the running configuration to the startup configuration, and reload the device.

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. Read the release notes for the software image file for any exceptions to this upgrade procedure. See the Cisco Nexus 3600 Series NX-OS Release Notes.
- **2.** Log in to the device on the console port connection.
- **3.** Ensure that the required space is available for the image file to be copied.
- **4.** If you need more space on the supervisor module, delete unnecessary files to make space available.

- **5.** Verify that there is space available on the active and the standby supervisor modules.
- **6.** If you need more space on the supervisor module, delete any unnecessary files to make space available.
- 7. Log in to Cisco.com, choose the software image file for your device from the following URL, and download it to a file server: http://software.cisco.com/download/navigator.html.
- **8.** Copy the software image to the active supervisor module using a transfer protocol. You can use FTP, TFTP, SCP, or SFTP.
- **9.** Display the SHA256 checksum for the file to verify the operating system integrity and ensure that the downloaded image is safe to install and use.
- **10.** Check the impact of upgrading the software before actually performing the upgrade.
- **11.** Save the running configuration to the startup configuration.
- **12.** Upgrade the Cisco NX-OS software using the **install all nxos bootflash**: filename [no-reload | no-save | non-interruptive | skip-epld | skip-bios-upgrade | skip-kernel-upgrade] command.
- **13.** (Optional) Display the entire upgrade process.
- **14.** (Optional) Log in and verify that the device is running the required software version.
- **15.** (Optional) If necessary, install any licenses to ensure that the required features are available on the device. See the Cisco NX-OS Licensing Guide.

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

- Step 1 Read the release notes for the software image file for any exceptions to this upgrade procedure. See the Cisco Nexus 3600 Series NX-OS Release Notes.
- **Step 2** Log in to the device on the console port connection.
- **Step 3** Ensure that the required space is available for the image file to be copied.

switch# dir bootflash:

Note

We recommend that you have the image file for at least one previous release of the Cisco NX-OS software on the device to use if the new image file does not load successfully.

Step 4 If you need more space on the supervisor module, delete unnecessary files to make space available.

switch# delete bootflash:nxos.10.5.3.F.bin

- **Step 5** Verify that there is space available on the active and the standby supervisor modules.
- **Step 6** If you need more space on the supervisor module, delete any unnecessary files to make space available.
- Step 7 Log in to Cisco.com, choose the software image file for your device from the following URL, and download it to a file server: http://software.cisco.com/download/navigator.html.
- Step 8 Copy the software image to the active supervisor module using a transfer protocol. You can use FTP, TFTP, SCP, or SFTP.

switch# copy scp://user@scpserver.cisco.com//download/nxos.10.1.1.bin bootflash:nxos.10.1.1.bin

For software images requiring compaction, you must use SCP, HTTP, or HTTPS as the source and bootflash or USB as the destination. The following example uses SCP and bootflash:

```
switch# copy scp://user@scpserver.cisco.com//download/nxos.10.1.1.bin
bootflash:nxos.10.1.1.bin compact vrf management use-kstack
```

```
user1@10.65.42.196's password:
nxos.10.1.1.bin 100% 1887MB 6.6MB/s 04:47
Copy complete, now saving to disk (please wait)...
Copy complete.
```

The **compact** keyword compacts the NX-OS image prior to copying the file to the supervisor module.

Note

Software image compaction is only supported on SCP, HTTP, or HTTPS. If you attempt compaction with any other protocol, the system returns the following error:

```
Compact option is allowed only with source as scp/http/https and destination as bootflash or usb
```

Note

Compacted images are not supported with LXC boot mode.

Step 9 Display the SHA256 checksum for the file to verify the operating system integrity and ensure that the downloaded image is safe to install and use.

```
switch# show file bootflash://sup-1/nxos.10.5.3.F.bin sha256sum
5214d563b7985ddad67d52658af573d6c64e5a9792b35c458f5296f954bc53be
```

Step 10 Check the impact of upgrading the software before actually performing the upgrade.

```
switch# show install all impact nxos bootflash:nxos.10.5.3.F.bin
```

Step 11 Save the running configuration to the startup configuration.

```
switch# copy running-config startup-config
```

Step 12 Upgrade the Cisco NX-OS software using the install all nxos bootflash: filename [no-reload | no-save | non-interruptive | skip-epld | skip-bios-upgrade | skip-kernel-upgrade] command.

```
switch# install all nxos bootflash:nxos.10.5.3.F.bin
```

The following options are available:

• **no-reload**—Exits the software upgrade process before the device is reloaded.

Note

When you use **install all** with **no-reload** option, the saved configuration cannot be used before you reload the device. Saving configuration in this state can result in incorrect startup configuration once you reload the device with new version of NX-OS and EPLD. Though the EPLD and BIOS are programmed but not upgraded, a switch reload is required for them to take effect.

- no-save—Does not save configuration. Manually save the configuration before starting the install all command.
- non-interruptive—Upgrades the software without any prompts. This option skips all error and sanity checks.
- **skip-epld**—Installs only nxos image, and not the epld image.
- skip-bios-upgrade—Installs only nxos image and skips the BIOS upgrade.

• skip-kernel-upgrade—Installs only nxos image and skips the kernel upgrade.

Note

- If you enter the install all command without specifying a filename, the command performs a compatibility check, notifies you of the modules that will be upgraded, and confirms that you want to continue with the installation. If you choose to proceed, it installs the NXOS software image that is currently running on the switch and upgrades the BIOS of various modules from the running image if required.
- During image upgrade, you can also apply SMUs so the SMU is installed with the new image using the**install all nxos** <*nxos image*> **package** <*smu package*> **non-interruptive** command.

```
switch# install all nxos nxos64-msll.10.5.3.F.bin.upg package
nxos64-msll.CSCeth_core-1.0.0-10.5.3.rpm non-interruptive
```

Step 13 (Optional) Display the entire upgrade process.

switch# show install all status

Step 14 (Optional) Log in and verify that the device is running the required software version.

switch# show version

Step 15 (Optional) If necessary, install any licenses to ensure that the required features are available on the device. See the Cisco NX-OS Licensing Guide.

Cisco NX-OS Software Downgrade Guidelines

Before attempting to downgrade to an earlier software release, follow these guidelines:

- On devices with dual supervisor modules, both supervisor modules must have connections on the console
 ports to maintain connectivity when switchovers occur during a software downgrade. See the Hardware
 Installation Guide for your specific chassis.
- Cisco NX-OS automatically installs and enables the guest shell by default. However, if the device is reloaded with a Cisco NX-OS image that does not provide guest shell support, the existing guest shell is automatically removed and a %VMAN-2-INVALID_PACKAGE message is issued. As a best practice, remove the guest shell with the **guestshell destroy** command before downgrading to an earlier Cisco NX-OS image.
- You must delete the switch profile (if configured) when downgrading from a Cisco NX-OS release that supports switch profiles to a release that does not. For more information, see the Cisco Nexus 3600 Series NX-OS System Management Configuration Guide.



Note

Software downgrades are disruptive. In-service software downgrades (ISSDs), also known as nondisruptive downgrades, are not supported.

Prerequisites for Downgrading the Cisco NX-OS Software

Downgrading the Cisco NX-OS software has the following prerequisites:

Before you downgrade from a Cisco NX-OS release that supports the Control Plane Policing (CoPP) feature to an earlier Cisco NX-OS release that does not support the CoPP feature, you should verify compatibility using the show incompatibility nxos bootflash: filename command. If an incompatibility exists, disable any features that are incompatible with the downgrade image before downgrading the software.

Downgrading to an Earlier Software Release

Use this procedure to downgrade from the latest Cisco NX-OS Release 10.5(x) to an earlier supported release.



Note

To downgrade to Cisco NX-OS Release 9.2(1), you must set the boot variable, copy the running configuration to the startup configuration, and reload the device.

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. Read the release notes for the software image file for any exceptions to this downgrade procedure. See the Cisco Nexus 3600 NX-OS Release Notes.
- **2.** Log in to the device on the console port connection.
- **3.** Verify that the image file for the downgrade is present on the active supervisor module bootflash:.
- **4.** If the software image file is not present, log in to Cisco.com, choose the software image file for your device from the following URL, and download it to a file server: http://software.cisco.com/download/navigator.html.
- **5.** Copy the software image to the active supervisor module using a transfer protocol. You can use FTP, TFTP, SCP, or SFTP.
- **6.** Check for any software incompatibilities.
- 7. Disable any features that are incompatible with the downgrade image.
- **8.** Check for any hardware incompatibilities.
- **9.** Power off any unsupported modules.
- **10.** Save the running configuration to the startup configuration.
- **11.** Downgrade the Cisco NX-OS software.
- **12.** (Optional) Display the entire downgrade process.
- **13.** (Optional) Log in and verify that the device is running the required software version.

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

- Step 1 Read the release notes for the software image file for any exceptions to this downgrade procedure. See the Cisco Nexus 3600 NX-OS Release Notes.
- **Step 2** Log in to the device on the console port connection.
- **Step 3** Verify that the image file for the downgrade is present on the active supervisor module bootflash:.

switch# dir bootflash:

- **Step 4** If the software image file is not present, log in to Cisco.com, choose the software image file for your device from the following URL, and download it to a file server: http://software.cisco.com/download/navigator.html.
- **Step 5** Copy the software image to the active supervisor module using a transfer protocol. You can use FTP, TFTP, SCP, or SFTP.

switch# copy scp://user@scpserver.cisco.com//download/nxos.9.2.3.bin bootflash:nxos.9.2.3.bin

Step 6 Check for any software incompatibilities.

```
switch# show incompatibility-all nxos bootflash:nxos.9.2.3.bin
Checking incompatible configuration(s)
No incompatible configurations
```

The resulting output displays any incompatibilities and remedies.

- **Step 7** Disable any features that are incompatible with the downgrade image.
- **Step 8** Check for any hardware incompatibilities.

```
switch# show install all impact nxos bootflash:nxos.9.2.3.bin
```

Step 9 Power off any unsupported modules.

```
switch# poweroff module module-number
```

Step 10 Save the running configuration to the startup configuration.

```
switch# copy running-config startup-config
```

Step 11 Downgrade the Cisco NX-OS software.

```
switch# install all nxos bootflash:nxos.9.2.3.bin
switch# install all nxos nxos.9.2.3.bin.CCO
Installer will perform compatibility check first. Please wait.
Installer is forced disruptive

Verifying image bootflash:/nxos.9.2.3.bin.CCO for boot variable "nxos".
[################## 100% -- SUCCESS

Verifying image type.
[################## 100% -- SUCCESS

Preparing "nxos" version info using image bootflash:/nxos.9.2.3.bin.CCO.
```

```
[############### 100% -- SUCCESS
Preparing "bios" version info using image bootflash:/nxos.9.2.3.bin.CCO.
[############### 100% -- SUCCESS
Performing module support checks.
[############### 100% -- SUCCESS
Notifying services about system upgrade.
2019 Jun 06 09:59:20 Switch %$ VDC-1 %$ %VSHD-5-VSHD_SYSLOG_CONFIG_I: Configured from vty by admin
 on vsh.bin.30370
[############### 100% -- SUCCESS
Compatibility check is done:
Module bootable Impact Install-type Reason
1 yes disruptive reset Incompatible image for ISSU
Images will be upgraded according to following table:
Module Image Running-Version(pri:alt) New-Version Upg-Required
1 nxos 9.3(1) 9.2(3) yes
1 bios v01.11(06/06/2019):v01.11(06/06/2019) v01.10(03/15/2019) no
```

Switch will be reloaded for disruptive upgrade.

Do you want to continue with the installation (y/n)? [n]

Note

If you enter the **install all** command without specifying a filename, the command performs a compatibility check, notifies you of the modules that will be upgraded, and confirms that you want to continue with the installation. If you choose to proceed, it installs the NXOS software image that is currently running on the switch and upgrades the BIOS of various modules from the running image if required.

Step 12 (Optional) Display the entire downgrade process.

Example:

switch# show install all status

Step 13 (Optional) Log in and verify that the device is running the required software version.

switch# show version

NX-OS Upgrade History

During the life of a Cisco Nexus 3600 switch, many upgrade procedures can be performed. Upgrades can occur for maintenance purposes or to update the operating system to obtain new features. Over time, switches may be updated on numerous occasions. Viewing the types of upgrades and when they occurred can help in troubleshooting issues or simply understanding the history of the switch.

Cisco Nexus 3600 switches log all upgrade activity performed over time providing a comprehensive history of these events. The stored upgrade history types are:

- Cisco NX-OS System Upgrades
- Electronic Programmable Logic Device (EPLD) Upgrades
- Software Maintenance Upgrade (SMU) Installations

View the Cisco NX-OS upgrade history by entering the **show upgrade history** command. The output displays any upgrade activity that previously occurred on the switch and defines the start and end times for each event. The following is an example output of the **show upgrade history** command:

switch# show upgra	de history		
TYPE	VERSION	DATE	STATUS
NXOS system image	10.5(3)	13 Mar 2025 05:21:46	Installation End
NXOS system image	10.5(3)	13 Mar 2025 05:18:28	Installation started
switch#			

View the Cisco NX-OS upgrade history details by entering the **show upgrade history details** command. The output displays user login details (user name/session ID) under LOGIN column on the switch along with upgrade history. The following is an example output of the **show upgrade history details** command:

switch# show upgra	de history details					
TYPE	VERSION		DAT	E		LOGIN
STATUS						
NXOS system image	10.5(3)	13	Mar	2025	05:21:46	admin/console0
Installatio	n End					
NXOS system image	10.5(3)	13	Mar	2025	05:18:28	admin/console0
Installatio	n started					
switch#						

NX-OS Upgrade History



Migrating Switches in a vPC Topology

This chapter describes how to migrate from one pair of switches to another in a vPC topology. It contains the following sections:

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vPC Forklift Upgrade

In a vPC topology, you can migrate from a pair of Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switches to a different pair of Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switches. For more information, see the "vPC Forklift Upgrade Scenario" section in the *Cisco Nexus 3600 Series NX-OS Interfaces Configuration Guide*.

vPC Forklift Upgrade



Optionality in Cisco NX-OS Software

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Optionality in Cisco NX-OS Software

Beginning with Cisco NXOS Release 9.2(1), Cisco NX-OS software image supports modular package management. Cisco NX-OS software now provides flexibility to add, remove, and upgrade the features selectively without changing the base NX-OS software.

The advantages for using modular Cisco NX-OS software are:

- Lean NX-OS software
- Asynchronous delivery of the features and the fixes: Quick fixes are provided that are independent of the releases, including new features.
- · Reduced footprint of binaries and libraries at run time

Cisco NX-OS software is provisioned to boot the NX-OS software in two modes as described in the following illustration:

- · Base NX-OS mode
- Full NX-OS mode

SR MTX-OC* Guestshell iCAM Virtualization EXT-ETH MPLS VxLAN Upgradable **FHRP** Multicast Optional BFD L3 **Packages** OSPF ISIS RIP **EIGRP** FEX TELEMETRY FC₀E BGP MTX nb-proxy Upgradable Full LLDP LACP SVI SSH Mandatory NX-OS **Packages** VTP NTP TACACS SNMP Mode **ETH** Base NX-OS Core Mode Patchable **PLATFORM** LC* **Packages** ROOTFS KERNEL

Figure 1: Optionality in Cisco NX-OS Software

- Base NX-OS mode contains:
 - Upgradable mandatory packages
 - Patchable packages
- Full NX-OS mode contains:
 - Upgradable optional packages
 - Upgradable mandatory packages
 - · Patchable packages



Note

The default mode is full NX-OS mode.

In base NX-OS mode, basic Layer 2 and Layer 3 features are available. All dynamic routing features (for example, BGP, OSPF, EIGRP, RIP, and ISIS) and other optional feature RPMs are not available by default. You have to install the optional feature RPMs on top of the base image.

In full NX-OS mode, all feature RPMs are installed during boot time when Ethernet plugin is activated by the plugin manager. There is no change in the user behavior as compared to the previous releases.

Guidelines for Cisco NX-OS Patchable Packages/RPM Installation

For guidelines on Cisco NX-OS patchable packages/RPM installation (Release 7.x feature), see the Performing Software Maintenance Upgrades section in the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS System Management Configuration Guide.

Using Modular Packages

The Cisco NX-OS software image is traditionally constructed with the packaging that forms a Cisco Linux distribution. It makes upgrading certain packages difficult as each package is large in size.

This section describes a new package management for the Cisco NX-OS software image. Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 9.2(1), some NXOS features are considered as optional, for example, BGP, OSPF, VXLAN, MPLS, Segment Routing.

Each modular package has the following important characteristics:

- Upgrade functionality: The modular packages can be independently upgraded. The modular packages should be used from the same release as performing upgrades on these packages across multiple releases is not supported.
- Optionality: The modular packages are optional, for example, these packages can be removed or uninstalled at run time. The removal of the modular packages does not affect bringing-up the system and it does not affect any other functionality of the switches.



Note

All APIs exported by the modular package should be used only after the installation of the feature.

RPM and **DNF**

RPM (Red Hat Package Manager) is the package management system used for packaging in the Linux Standard Base (LSB). The RPM command options are grouped into three subgroups for:

- Querying and verifying packages
- Installing, upgrading, and removing packages
- Performing miscellaneous functions

rpm is the command name for the main command that is used with RPM, whereas .rpm is the extension that is used for the RPM files.

Dandified YUM (Yellowdog Updater, Modified) or DNFis an open source command-line tool for RPM based Linux systems. It allows users and system administrators to easily install, update, remove, or search software packages on the systems. DNF adds the automatic updates and the package management, including dependency management, to the RPM systems. In addition to understanding the installed packages on a system, DNF works with the repositories that are collections of the packages and they are typically accessible over a network connection.

Booting the NX-OS Image in Base or Full Mode

You can now boot the NX-OS image in base or full mode. The full boot mode installs the complete NX-OS software which is similar to the software of the previous releases. This is the default boot mode. The base boot mode has no optional RPMs installed.

To use the command line option, see the following steps:

- Use the **install reset nxos base** option to install the NX-OS image in the base boot mode using the VSH prompt. After reload, the switch is in the base mode with no optional packages installed.
- Use the **install reset nxos full** option to install the NX-OS image in the full boot mode using the VSH prompt. After reload, the switch is in the full mode with the optional packages automatically installed.

For more information, see Using Install CLIs for Feature RPM Operation section.

Information About RPMs

RPMs can be upgraded or downgraded to a new software version using NXOS install commands or by using DNF commands. An upgradable RPM can be optional or mandatory.



Note

During the boot-up process of NX-OS, signed RPMs remain in memory while the image extraction stage takes place. However, this method is not the most efficient in terms of memory consumption. As of Cisco NX-OS Release 10.4(3)F, after the system reaches a stable state and adequate SSD space is accessible, the RPMs are transferred from memory to persistent storage. This feature is supported on N9K-C92348GC-X and all Nexus 9300 TOR switches.

See the following sections for more information about optional and mandatory RPMs.

Format of the RPM

The general format of a RPM is <name>-<version>-<release>.<arch>.rpm. The same format is followed for NXOS feature RPMS.

- Name: package name, for example, BGP
- Version in <x.y.x.b> format: <major.minor.patch.build number>, for example, 2.0.1.0
- Release: The branch from which the RPM is created, for example, 9.2.1
- Arch: The architecture type of the RPM, for example, lib32 n9000

See the following table for more information on the naming convention, for example, fex-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm:

Table 2: RPM Naming Convention

RPM Naming Convention	Description		
Example: fex-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm			
fex	Indicates the name of the component.		
2	Indicates that the RPM is not backward compatible. Configuration loss takes place during an upgrade.		
0	Indicates the incremental API changes/CLI changes/Schema changes with backward compatibility. It is applicable to the new features on top of the existing capabilities. No configuration is lost during an upgrade.		
0	Indicates a bug fix without any functionality change. No configuration is lost during an upgrade.		
0	This number tracks how many times the component has changed during the development cycle of a release. This value will be 0 for all the release images.		
9.2.1	Indicates the release number or the distribution version for the RPM. It aligns to the NVR format. Since the feature RPM is only applicable to a NXOS release, this field has NXOS release version number present.		
lib32_n9000	Indicates the architecture type of the RPM.		

Optional RPMs and Their Associated Features

The optional RPMs are the RPMs that can be installed to enable the features without affecting the native NXOS behavior or they can be removed using the **install deactivate** command from the switch.

Optional RPMs, for example, EIGRP are not a part of the base software. They can be added, upgraded, and removed as required using either **dnf** or **install** CLI commands from the switch.

See the following list of the optional RPMs and their associated features:

Table 3: List of Optional RPMs and Their Associated Features

Package Name	Associated Features
APP HOSTING	feature app-hosting
BGP	feature bgp
BFD	feature bfd
Container-tracker	feature container-tracker
EIGRP	feature eigrp

Package Name	Associated Features	
Ext-Eth	feature openflow	
	• feature evb	
	feature imp	
	• feature netflow	
	feature sla_sender	
	feature sla_responder	
	feature sla twamp-server	
	• feature sflow	
EXT_ETH_LOWMEM	• feature evb	
	• feature netflow	
FCoE	feature-set fcoe	
	feature-set fcoe-npv	
FEX	feature-set fex	
FHRP	feature hsrp	
	• feature vrrpv3	
HW TELEMETRY	feature hw telemetry	
iCAM	feature icam	
ISIS	feature isis	
MPLS	feature mpls segment-routing	
	feature mpls evpn	
Multicast	• feature pim	
	• feature pim6	
	feature msdp	
	feature ngmvpn	
NIA	NA	
NXSDK	NA	

Package Name	Associated Features
OSPF	• feature ospf
	• feature ospfv3
RIP	feature rip
SDAA	NA
Services	feature catena
SR	feature mpls segment-routing traffic-engineering
TELEMETRY	feature telemetry
Virtualization	NA
VM Tracker	feature vmtracker
VXLAN	feature nv overlay
	feature fabric forwarding

Guidelines for NX-OS Feature RPM Installation

See the following NX-OS system RPM repositories that are present in the Cisco NX-OS Series switches for the RPM management.



Note

Avoid manually copying the RPMs to system repositories. Instead use the install or DNF commands.

Table 4: RPM Repositories That Are Present in the Switches

Repository Name	Repository Path	Description
groups-repo	/rpms	Part of the bundled NX-OS image. It is used to keep all the RPMs that are bundled as part of the NX-OS image. All RPMs based in this repository are known as base RPMs.

Repository Name	Repository Path	Description
localdb	/bootflash/.rpmstore/patching/localrepo	Used for RPM persistency. When a user adds a NX-OS feature RPM as part of install add command, the RPM is copied to this location and it is persisted during the reloads. User has the responsibility to clean the repository.
		To add a RPM to this repository, use install add command.
		To remove a RPM from this repository, use install remove command.
		DNF commands can be used to populate the repository too.
		The maximum space for the repository is 200Mb along with the patching repository for Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches except Cisco Nexus 3000 Series switches. For Cisco Nexus 3000 Series switches, the maximum space for the repository is 20 Mb only.
patching	/bootflash/.rpmstore/patching/patchrepo	Used for RPM persistency. When a user adds a NX-OS patch RPM to the switch, the patch RPM is copied to this repository.
thirdparty	/bootflash/.rpmstore/thirdparty	Used for RPM persistency when a user adds a third party RPM.

The **groups-repo** and **localdb** repositories hold the NX-OS feature RPMs that should be installed during the system boot or during activation. DNF commands or **install** command can be used for the installation or the removal of these RPMs.

The following rules are applied to the feature RPM installation procedure during boot or install time:

- Only RPMs with the same NX-OS release number should be selected for the installation.
- Base RPMs cannot be added to the localdb repository.

Guidelines for Third-Party RPM Installation

Currently, any third-party package that is not provided by Cisco is allowed to be installed on the device, even when it is not signed by Cisco.

Starting with release 10.1(x) any third-party package that is not signed by Cisco is not allowed to be installed on the device. However, if you wish to bypass this and install the software, you can configure the device to enable the third-party software installation. The configuration will persist as a normal configuration and can

be verified by using the **running-config** command. Following this configuration, you can install any third-party software with the known risks.

Using Install CLIs for Feature or Third-Party RPM Operation

See the following reference table for using install CLIs for the feature RPM operations:

Table 5: Reference for Install CLIs for the Feature RPM Operations

CLI	Description
install reset	This operation removes all the patches, persisted configurations, upgraded packages, third-party installed packages, unsaved configurations, and reloads the switch's previous mode (Full/Base) with the default packages.
	The install reset command also performs write erase operation. The following message is displayed at the prompt:
	switch(config)# install reset
	WARNING!!This operation will remove all pactches, upgraded packages, persisted etc configs, third party packages installed, startup configuration(write erase) and reload the switch with default packages.
	Do you want to proceed with reset operation? (y/n)? [n]
install reset nxos base	This operation installs NXOS in base mode by removing all patches, upgraded packages, persisted etc configurations, third-party packages installed, startup configuration (write erase), and reloads the switch with the default packages.
install reset nxos full	This operation installs NXOS with full mode by removing all patches, upgraded packages, persisted etc configs, third-party packages installed, startup configuration (write erase), and reloads the switch with the default packages (with mandatory and optional RPMs).
install add <>	Adds an RPM file to the respective repository and updates the repository (patch/feature/third-party).
install activate <rpm name=""></rpm>	Installs an RPM that is present in the repository.
install commit <rpm name=""></rpm>	Used for the patch RPMs. Makes the patch persist during the reload.

CLI	Description
install deactivate <rpm name=""></rpm>	Un-installs an RPM.
	Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 10.1(1), when you use this command to deactivate RPMs, the options to either downgrade to the base version of RPM or to uninstall RPM appear. You can select the option that you desire and the operation will proceed.
install remove <rpm name=""></rpm>	Removes an RPM file from the repository and updates the repository.
sh install active	Displays the list of the installed RPMs in the system apart from base rootfs RPMs. (features/patch/third-party).
sh install inactive	Displays the list of the RPMs that are present in the repository but they are not installed.
sh install packages	Lists all the RPMs that are installed including rootfs RPMs.

CLI	Description
[no] system software allow third-party	Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 10.1(1) the third-party RPM installations are not allowed to be installed on the device by default. This command bypasses this restriction and configures the device to enable the third-party software installation.
	The following command shows the error message when you activate third-party RPM without applying the third-party configuration:
	<pre>switch(config)# install activate pbwMonitor-1.0-1.5.0.x86_64.rpm</pre>
	Install operation 193 failed because package is not signed by Cisco.Enable TPS installation using 'system software allow third-party' CLI at Tue Nov 17 04:23:10 2020
	The following command shows activating third-party RPM installations after applying the configuration:
	<pre>switch(config)# system software allow third-party switch(config)# 2020 Nov 17 04:25:41 switch %\$ VDC-1 %\$ %USER-2-SYSTEM_MSG: <<%PATCH-INSTALLER-2-TPS_FEATURE_ENABLED>> User has enabled TPS installation - patch_installer</pre>
	<pre>switch(config)# install activate pbwMonitor-1.0-1.5.0.x86_64.rpm [###############] 100% Install operation 194 completed successfully at Tue Nov 17 04:25:58 2020</pre>
	The following command shows disabling the third-party configuration:
	<pre>switch(config) # no system software allow third-party switch(config) # 2020 Nov 17 04:27:17 switch %\$ VDC-1 %\$ %USER-2-SYSTEM_MSG: <<%PATCH-INSTALLER-2-TPS_FEATURE_DISABLED>> User has disabled TPS installation - patch_installer</pre>



Note

If you are using ISSU or upgrading to Cisco NX-OS Release 10.1.1 release from an earlier version, you must manually apply the third-party configuration within the first 30 minutes after the upgrade to ensure the third-party RPMs get installed.

Using Install CLIs for Digital Signature Support

Use the following CLI commands to install CLIs for digital signature support:

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. switch#install add bootflash:<keyfile> gpg-key
- 2. switch#install verify package package-name>
- **3.** OR switch#install verify bootflash:<RPM file>

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch#install add bootflash: <keyfile> gpg-key</keyfile>	Cisco release RPMs are signed with Cisco GPG (GNU
	Example:	Privacy Guard) key. The public GPG key is present at /etc/pki/rpm-gpg/arm-Nexus9k-rel.gpg. To add other
	<pre>install add bootflash:RPM-GPG-KEY-puppetlabs gpg-key [################] 100% Install operation 304 completed successfully at Thu Jun 19 16:40:28 2018</pre>	public keys from different sources, use the steps in this section.
Step 2	switch#install verify package <package-name></package-name>	Verifies the package.
Step 3	OR switch#install verify bootflash: <rpm file=""></rpm>	Use step 2 or 3 to verify whether the RPM file is a signed
	Example:	or non-signed file.
	switch# install verify bootflash:vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm	
	RSA signed switch#	

Querying All Installed RPMs

Complete the following step to query all the installed RPMs:

SUMMARY STEPS

1. show install packages

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	show install packages	Queries all the installed RPMs.
	Example:	
	switch# show install packages	

Boot Image: NXOS Image: bootflash:/nxos.9.2.1.bin Installed Packages attr.x86_64 2.4.47-r0.0 installed Unsigned aufs-util.x86_64 3.14+git0+b59a2167a1-r0.0 installed Unsigned base-files.n9000 3.0.14-r89.0 installed Unsigned base-passwd.lib32_x86 3.5.29-r0.1.0 installed Unsigned bash.lib32_x86 4.3.30-r0.0 installed Unsigned bfd.lib32_n9000 2.0.0.0-9.2.1 installed Signed bgp.lib32_n9000 2.0.0.0-9.2.1 installed Signed binutils.x86_64 2.25.1-r0.0 installed Unsigned bridge-utils_x86_64 2.25.1-ro.0 installed Unsigned	Command or Action	Purpose
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Installing the RPMs Using One Step Procedure

The CLIs for both install and upgrade RPMs are the same. See the following step to install the RPMs using one step procedure:

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	install add <rpm> activate</rpm>	Installs and activates the RPM.
	Example:	

Command or Action	Purpose
switch# install add bootflash:che activate Adding the patch (/chef.rpm) [################] 100% Install operation 868 completed suc Tue May 8 11:20:10 2018 Activating the patch (/chef.rpm) [###############] 100% Install operation 869 completed suc Tue May 8 11:20:20 2018	cessfully at

Example

```
switch# show install active
Boot Image:
        NXOS Image: bootflash:/nxos.9.2.1.bin
Active Packages:
bgp-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
chef-12.0.0alpha.2+20150319234423.git.1608.b6eb10f-1.el5.x86_64
Active Base Packages:
        lacp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
        lldp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
       mtx-device-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
       mtx-grpc-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
       mtx-infra-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
       mtx-netconf-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
        mtx-restconf-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
        mtx-telemetry-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
        ntp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
        nxos-ssh-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
        snmp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
        svi-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
        tacacs-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
        vtp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
switch (config) #
```

Installing the RPMs Using Two Steps Procedure

The CLIs for both install and upgrade RPMs are the same. See the following steps to install the RPMs using two steps procedure:

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. install add <rpm>
- 2. install activate <*rpm*>

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	install add <rpm></rpm>	Installs the RPM.
	Example:	
	switch# install add bootflash:vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm	
	[##################] 100% Install operation 892 completed successfully at Thu Jun 7 13:56:38 2018	
	<pre>switch(config)# sh install inactive grep vxlan</pre>	
	vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000	
Step 2	install activate <rpm></rpm>	Activates the RPM.
	Example:	

Example

```
switch#install activate vxlan

[####################] 100%
Install operation 891 completed successfully at Thu Jun 7 13:53:07 2018

switch# show install active | grep vxlan

vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000

switch# sh install inactive | grep vxlan

switch#
```

Upgrading the RPMs Using One Step

The CLIs for both install and upgrade RPMs are the same. See the following steps to upgrade the RPMs:

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	install add <rpm>activate upgrade</rpm>	Installs the RPM.
	Example:	
	<pre>switch(config)# install add bootflash:bgp-2.0.2.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm activate upgrade</pre>	
	Adding the patch (/bgp-2.0.2.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm) [##################] 100% Install operation 870 completed successfully at Tue May 8 11:22:30 2018 Activating the patch (/bgp-2.0.2.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm) [################### 100% Install operation 871 completed successfully at Tue May 8 11:22:40 2018	

Example

```
switch(config)# show install active
Boot Image:
NXOS Image: bootflash:/nxos.9.2.1.bin
Active Packages:
bgp-2.0.2.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
chef-12.0.0alpha.2+20150319234423.git.1608.b6eb10f-1.el5.x86_64
Active Base Packages:
lacp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
lldp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
mtx-device-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
mtx-grpc-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
mtx-infra-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
mtx-netconf-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
mtx-restconf-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
mtx-telemetry-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
ntp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
nxos-ssh-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
 snmp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
svi-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
tacacs-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
vtp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
```

Downgrading the RPMs

The downgrade procedure needs a special CLI attribute. See the following step to downgrade the RPMs using the one step procedure:

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	install add <rpm>activate downgrade</rpm>	Downgrades the RPM.
	Example:	
	switch(config)# install add	
	bootflash:bgp-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm	
	activate downgrade	
	Adding the patch (/bgp-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm) [############### 100% Install operation 872 completed successfully at Tue May 8 11:24:43 2018	
	Activating the patch (/bgp-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm) [#################] 100% Install operation 873 completed successfully at Tue May 8 11:24:52 2018	

Example

```
switch(config)# show install active
Boot Image:
NXOS Image: bootflash:/nxos.9.2.1.bin
Active Packages:
bgp-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
chef-12.0.0alpha.2+20150319234423.git.1608.b6eb10f-1.el5.x86_64
Active Base Packages:
lacp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
lldp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
mtx-device-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.1ib32 n9000
mtx-grpc-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
mtx-infra-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
mtx-netconf-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.1ib32_n9000
mtx-restconf-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
mtx-telemetry-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
ntp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
nxos-ssh-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
 snmp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
 svi-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
 tacacs-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
vtp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
switch(config)#
```

Uninstalling the RPMs

See the following steps to uninstall the RPMs:

SUMMARY STEPS

1. install deactivate <rpm>

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	install deactivate < <i>rpm</i> > Example:	Downgrades to the base version of RPM, if one exists in the groups-repo (/rpms), or uninstalls the RPM completely from the switch.
	switch(config)# install deactivate bgp Base RPM found. Do you want to downgrade to base version(y/n) [n] y Downgrading to the base version [################# 100% Install operation 190 completed successfully at Tue Nov 17 04:10:40 2020	To downgrade to the base version, enter y . To completely uninstall the RPM, enter n in the command prompt.
	Example:	
	<pre>switch(config)# install deactivate bgp Base RPM found. Do you want to downgrade to base version(y/n) [n] n</pre>	
	WARNING!! This operation will remove 'bgp-3.0.0.0-9.4.1.lib32_n9000' related configuration from running-configuration on successful completion. Update startup-configuration accordingly.	
	[##################] 100% Install operation 9 completed successfully at Tue Nov 17 05:05:59 2020	

Removing the RPMs

See the following steps to remove the RPMs:

SUMMARY STEPS

1. install remove <*rpm*>

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

Command or Action	Purpose
install remove <rpm></rpm>	Removes the RPM from the repository.
Example:	
<pre>switch(config) # show install inactive grep vxlan</pre>	
vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000 switch(config)# install remove vxlan	
Proceed with removing vxlan? (y/n)? [n] y [#################] 100% Install operation 890 Removal of base rpm package is not permitted at Thu Jun 7 13:52:15 2018	
	<pre>install remove <rpm> Example: switch(config) # show install inactive grep vxlan vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000 switch(config) # install remove vxlan Proceed with removing vxlan? (y/n)? [n] y [######################] 100%</rpm></pre>

Information About DNF Commands

See the following sections for more information about DNF commands.



Note

DNF commands do not support ctrl+c. Install commands do support ctrl+c. If DNF commands are aborted using ctrl+c, manual cleanup must be performed using "/isan/bin/patching_utils.py --unlock".

Performing Package Operations Using the DNF Commands

See the following sections for performing package operations using the DNF commands:



Note

DNF commands are accessed only from the BASH shell on the box and they are not allowed from the NXOS VSH terminal.



Note

Make sure that as a sudo user, you have access to the super user privileges.

Finding the Base Version RPM of the Image

Use the **ls/rpms** command to find the base version RPM of the image. The base RPM version is the pre-installed RPM that is archived in the system image.

#1s /rpms

```
bfd-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
ins tor sdk t2-1.0.0.0-9.2.0.77.lib32 n9000.rpm
mtx-netconf-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                                  snmp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
bgp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm
ins tor sdk t3-1.0.0.0-9.2.0.77.lib32 n9000.rpm
mtx-restconf-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm sr-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
container-tracker-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm isis-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
        mtx-telemetry-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm
                                                         svi-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
eigrp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm
                                                 lacp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
         nbproxy-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
tacacs-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
ext-eth-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                                 lldp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
         ntp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
telemetry-2.3.4.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
fcoe-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                                 mcast-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
         nxos-ssh-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
virtualization-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
fex-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                                 mpls-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                                         vtp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
        ospf-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
fhrp-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                                 mtx-device-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
         repodata
vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
guestshell-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                               mtx-grpc-agent-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
      rip-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
icam-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                                 mtx-infra-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
          services-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
```

Checking the List of the Installed RPMs

Use the **dnf list installed** command to query the feature and third party RPMs and grep a specific RPM. See the following example for feature RPMs:

bash-4.2# dnf list installed | grep lib32 n9000

bfd.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	@groups-repo
core.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
eth.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
guestshell.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	@groups-repo
lacp.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
linecard2.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
lldp.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
mcast.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	@groups-repo
-	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
-	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
mtx-infra.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
mtx-netconf-agent.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
mtx-telemetry.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
nbproxy.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
ntp.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
nxos-ssh.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
ospf.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	@groups-repo
platform.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
snmp.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
svi.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
tacacs.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
tor.lib32_n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.0.77	installed
virtualization.lib32_n9000	2.0.1.0-9.2.1	@localdb

vtp.lib32 n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	installed
vxlan.lib32_n9000	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	@groups-repo

Getting Details of the Installed RPMs

The **dnf info** <*rpmname*> command lists out the detailed info of the installed RPM.

dnf info vxlan

```
Loaded plugins: downloadonly, importpubkey, localrpmDB, patchaction, patching,
protect-packages
groups-repo
                    | 1.1 kB
                              00:00 ...
localdb
                    I 951 B
                              00:00 ...
patching
                    I 951 B
                                00:00 ...
thirdparty
                    | 951 B
                                00:00 ...
Installed Packages
Name : vxlan
          : lib32_n9000
: 2.0.0.0
Arch
Version
          : 9.2.1
Release
          : 6.4 M
          : installed
From repo : groups-repo
Summary
           : Cisco NXOS VxLAN
URL
           : http://cisco.com/
License
           : Proprietary
Description: Provides VxLAN support
```

Installing the RPMs

Installing the RPMs downloads the RPMs and copies the respective program to the switches. See the following example for installing the RPMs from a remote server (that is reachable in the network):

```
bash-4.3# dnf install
http://10.0.0.2/modularity/rpms/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
Loaded plugins: downloadonly, importpubkey, localrpmDB, patchaction, patching,
protect-packages
groups-repo
                                                  | 1.1 kB
                                                              00:00 ...
localdb
                                                    951 B
                                                              00:00 ...
localdb/primary
                                                  I 886 B
                                                              00:00 ...
localdb
                                                                    1/1
patching
                                                    951 B
                                                              00:00 ...
thirdparty
                                                              00:00 ...
                                                  | 951 B
```

```
Setting up Install Process
vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm
                                               | 1.6 MB
Examining /var/tmp/yum-root-RaANgb/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm:
vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
Marking /var/tmp/yum-root-RaANgb/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm to be installed
Resolving Dependencies
--> Running transaction check
---> Package vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1 will be installed
--> Finished Dependency Resolution
Dependencies Resolved
Package
                           Arch
                                                           Version
           Repository
Installing:
                          lib32 n9000
                                                          2.0.1.0-9.2.1
     /vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
                                                          6.4 M
Transaction Summary
            1 Package
Install
Total size: 6.4 M
Installed size: 6.4 M
Is this ok [y/N]: y
Downloading Packages:
Running Transaction Check
Running Transaction Test
Transaction Test Succeeded
Running Transaction
  Installing: vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                                                  1/1
starting pre-install package version mgmt for vxlan
pre-install for vxlan complete
starting post-install package version mgmt for vxlan
post-install for vxlan complete
Installed:
  vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1
```

Complete!

See the following example for installing the RPMs from local bootflash:

sudo dnf install /bootflash/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm

Loaded plugins: downloadonly, importpubkey, localrpmDB, patchaction, patching, protect-packages groups-repo

```
Setting up Install Process
Examining /bootflash/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm: vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
Marking /bootflash/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm as an update to
vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
Resolving Dependencies
--> Running transaction check
---> Package vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.0.0-9.2.1 will be updated
---> Package vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1 will be an update
--> Finished Dependency Resolution
Dependencies Resolved
Package
                                           Arch
Version
                                                         Repository
Updating:
vxlan
                                           lib32 n9000
2.0.1.0-9.2.1
                                                    /vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000
                             6.4 M
Transaction Summary
Upgrade
              1 Package
Total size: 6.4 M
Is this ok [y/N]: y
Downloading Packages:
Running Transaction Check
Running Transaction Test
Transaction Test Succeeded
Running Transaction
 Updating : vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                    1/2
starting pre-install package version mgmt for vxlan
pre-install for vxlan complete
starting post-install package version mgmt for vxlan
post-install for vxlan complete
           : vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                    2/2
Updated:
  vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1
Complete!
See the following example for installing the RPM if it is available in a repository:
dnf install eigrp
```

Upgrading the RPMs

See the following example for upgrading the RPMs from a remote server (that is reachable in the network):

bash-4.3# dnf upgrade

http://10.0.0.2/modularity/rpms/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm

```
Loaded plugins: downloadonly, importpubkey, localrpmDB, patchaction, patching,
protect-packages
groups-repo
                                                    | 1.1 kB
                                                                 00:00 ...
localdb
                                                                 00:00 ...
                                                       951 B
patching
                                                                 00:00 ...
                                                     | 951 B
thirdparty
                                                     I 951 B
                                                                 00:00 ...
Setting up Upgrade Process
vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm
                                                            00:00
                                               | 1.6 MB
Examining /var/tmp/yum-root-RaANgb/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm:
vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
Marking /var/tmp/yum-root-RaANgb/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm as an update to
vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
Resolving Dependencies
--> Running transaction check
---> Package vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.0.0-9.2.1 will be updated
---> Package vxlan.lib32_n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1 will be an update
--> Finished Dependency Resolution
Dependencies Resolved
```

```
Package Arch Version

Repository Size

Updating:
vxlan lib32_n9000 2.0.1.0-9.2.1
/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000 6.4 M

Transaction Summary
```

```
Transaction Summary
Upgrade
             1 Package
Total size: 6.4 M
Is this ok [y/N]: y
Downloading Packages:
Running Transaction Check
Running Transaction Test
Transaction Test Succeeded
Running Transaction
** Found 1 pre-existing rpmdb problem(s), 'yum check' output follows:
busybox-1.23.2-r0.0.x86 64 has missing requires of busybox-syslog
  Updating : vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                                                  1/2
starting pre-install package version mgmt for vxlan
pre-install for vxlan complete
starting post-install package version mgmt for vxlan
post-install for vxlan complete
  Cleanup
           : vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                                                  2/2
Updated:
  vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1
```

Complete!

See the following example for upgrading the RPMs from local bootflash:

sudo dnf upgrade /bootflash/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm

```
Loaded plugins: downloadonly, importpubkey, localrpmDB, patchaction, patching,
protect-packages
groups-repo
                      | 1.1 kB
                                   00:00 ...
localdb
                      | 951 B
                                   00:00 ...
patching
                                   00:00 ...
                      | 951 B
thirdparty
                      | 951 B
                                   00:00 ...
Setting up Upgrade Process
Examining /bootflash/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000.rpm: vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
Marking /bootflash/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm as an update to
vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
Resolving Dependencies
--> Running transaction check
---> Package vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.0.0-9.2.1 will be updated
---> Package vxlan.lib32_n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1 will be an update
--> Finished Dependency Resolution
Dependencies Resolved
 Package
                                            Arch
Version
                                                    Repository
                                   Size
Updating:
vxlan
                                           lib32 n9000
2.0.1.0-9.2.1
                                                     /vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                              6.4 M
Transaction Summary
Upgrade
              1 Package
Total size: 6.4 M
Is this ok [y/N]: y
Downloading Packages:
Running Transaction Check
Running Transaction Test
Transaction Test Succeeded
Running Transaction
 Updating : vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                    1/2
starting pre-install package version \ensuremath{\mathsf{mgmt}} for \ensuremath{\mathsf{vxlan}}
pre-install for vxlan complete
starting post-install package version mgmt for vxlan
post-install for vxlan complete
           : vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                    2/2
```

```
Updated:
    vxlan.lib32_n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1
Complete!
```

See the following example for upgrading the RPMs if it is available in any repository:

dnf upgrade eigrp

Downgrading the RPMs

See the following example for downgrading the RPMs from a remote server (that is reachable in the network):

sudo dnf downgrade vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000

```
Loaded plugins: downloadonly, importpubkey, localrpmDB, patchaction, patching,
protect-packages
Setting up Downgrade Process
groups-repo
                                  00:00 ...
                     | 1.1 kB
localdb
                     | 951 B
                                  00:00 ...
localdb/primary
                     | 1.3 kB
                                  00:00 ...
localdb
                                        2/2
patching
                     | 951 B
                                  00:00 ...
thirdparty
                        951 B
                                  00:00 ...
Resolving Dependencies
--> Running transaction check
---> Package vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.0.0-9.2.1 will be a downgrade
---> Package vxlan.lib32_n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1 will be erased
--> Finished Dependency Resolution
Dependencies Resolved
```

Package	Version		Arch	Repository
		Size		
Downgradin vxlan	g:		lib32 n9000	
	2.0.0.0-9.2.1	1.6 M	_	groups-repo
Transactio	n Summary			
Downgrade	1 Package			

```
Total download size: 1.6 M
Is this ok [y/N]: y
Downloading Packages:
Running Transaction Check
Running Transaction Test
Transaction Test Succeeded
Running Transaction
 Installing : vxlan-2.0.0.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
starting pre-install package version mgmt for vxlan
pre-install for vxlan complete
starting post-install package version mgmt for vxlan
post-install for vxlan complete
 Cleanup : vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                   2.12
Removed:
  vxlan.lib32_n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1
Installed:
 vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.0.0-9.2.1
Complete!
```

See the following example for downgrading the RPMs from local bootflash:

```
dnf downgrade /bootflash/eigrp-2.0.0-9.2.1.lib32_n9000.rpm
```

See the following example for downgrading the RPMs if it is available in any repository:

```
dnf downgrade eigrp
```

Deleting the RPMs

Deleting the RPMs de-installs the RPMs and removes any configuration CLI of the feature. Use the **dnf erase** <*rpm>* command to delete the RPMs.

```
bash-4.2# sudo dnf erase vxlan
```

```
Loaded plugins: downloadonly, importpubkey, localrpmDB, patchaction, patching, protect-packages
Setting up Remove Process
Resolving Dependencies
--> Running transaction check
---> Package vxlan.lib32_n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1 will be erased
--> Finished Dependency Resolution
Dependencies Resolved
```

```
Package
                           Arch
                                                                           Version
                                  Repository
                                                                                     Size
Removing:
                           lib32 n9000
                                                                            2.0.1.0-9.2.1
 vxlan
                                  @/vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
                                                                                      6.4 M
Transaction Summarv
              1 Package
Installed size: 6.4 M
Is this ok [y/N]: y
Downloading Packages:
Running Transaction Check
Running Transaction Test
Transaction Test Succeeded
Running Transaction
           : vxlan-2.0.1.0-9.2.1.lib32 n9000
 Erasing
                                    1/1
starting pre-remove package version mgmt for vxlan
pre-remove for vxlan complete
Removed:
  vxlan.lib32 n9000 0:2.0.1.0-9.2.1
Complete!
```

Support for DNF Groups

The support for DNF groups is part of the package management. It simplifies the management of the packages for the administrators and it provides greater flexibility.

The administrators can group a list of packages (RPMs) into a logical group and they can perform various operations. DNF supports the following group commands:

- grouplist
- groupinfo
- groupinstall
- groupremove
- groupupdate

DNF groups can be broadly classified as L2, L3, routing, and management.

Using the grouplist Command

In Linux, number of packages are bundled to particular group. Instead of installing individual packages with dnf, you can install particular group that will install all the related packages that belongs to the group. For example to list all the available groups, use the **dnf grouplist** command:

```
L2
L3
bash-4.4#
```

bash-4.4# dnf groupinstall 13

Using the groupmembers Command

Use **dnf groupinfo** command to display the description and the contents of a package group. The command lists out the feature members of the group.

Using the groupinstall Command

This command is for both install and upgrade of the members RPM. If the member is not installed, it will install the highest version available. If the member is already installed and higher RPM is available, it will upgrade that member.

Using the groupupdate Command

Use the **dnf groupupdate** command to update any existing installed group packages.

Package	Arch Repository	Size	Version
Installing group packages: bfd	lib32_64_n9000 groups-repo	562 k	2.0.0.0-10.4.3
Transaction Summary			
Install 1 Package			
Total size: 562 k Installed size: 2.3 M Is this ok [y/N]: y Downloading Packages: Running transaction check Transaction check succeede Running transaction test Transaction test succeeded Running transaction Preparing:		1/1	
Running scriptlet: bfd-2	.0.0.0-10.4.3.1ib32_64_n9000	1/1	
Running scriptlet: bfd-2 starting post-install pack post-install for bfd compl	te .0.0.0-10.4.3.lib32_64_n9000 .0.0.0-10.4.3.lib32_64_n9000 age version mgmt for bfd	1/1 1/1 1/1	
Installed: bfd.lib32_64_n9000 2.0.0	.0-10.4.3		
Complete! Install operation 14 compl	eted successfully at Wed Mar 13	12:30:23 2024.	
[############ 100 bash-4.4#	ું _છ		

Using the grouperase Command

Use the **dnf grouperase** command to delete the groups or all the RPM members of the group.

bash-4.4# dnf grouperase 13
Dependencies resolved.

Group		Packages		
Marking pack	kages as removed by the group:	bfd		
Package	Arch Repository	Size	Version	

```
Removing:
bfd
                            lib32 64 n9000
                                                                  2.0.0.0-10.4.3
               @System
                                              2.3 M
Transaction Summary
Remove 1 Package
Freed space: 2.3 M
Is this ok [y/N]: y
Running transaction check
Transaction check succeeded.
Running transaction test
Transaction test succeeded.
Running transaction
 Preparing
 Running scriptlet: bfd-2.0.0.0-10.4.3.lib32 64 n9000
starting pre-remove package version mgmt for bfd
pre-remove for bfd complete
                  : bfd-2.0.0.0-10.4.3.1ib32 64 n9000
                                                1/1
 Running scriptlet: bfd-2.0.0.0-10.4.3.lib32 64 n9000
                                                \frac{1}{1}/1
starting post-remove package version mgmt for bfd
post-remove for bfd complete
                     : bfd-2.0.0.0-10.4.3.1ib32 64 n9000
    Verifying
Removed:
 bfd.lib32 64 n9000 2.0.0.0-10.4.3
                                                    Complete!
Install operation 11 completed successfully at Fri Mar 8 12:38:41 2024.
[########## 100%
bash-4.4#
```

Finding Repositories

This command lists the repositories that the switch has along with the number of RPMs it has to those repositories.

bash-4.3# dnf repolist all

```
repo name
                                status
groups-repo
         Groups-RPM Database
                                enabled: 37
localdb
         Local RPM Database
                                enabled: 6
patching
         Patch-RPM Database
                                enabled: 0
thirdparty
         Thirdparty RPM Database
                                enabled: 0
open-nxos
         open-nxos
                                disabled
repolist: 43
```

Finding the Installed DNF Version

See the following example for listing the installed DNF version:

dnf --version

```
3.4.3
Installed: rpm-5.4.14-r0.0.x86_64 at 2018-06-02 13:04
Built : Wind River <info@windriver.com> at 2018-04-27 08:36
Committed: Wind River <info@windriver.com> at 2018-04-27

Installed: yum-3.4.3-r9.0.x86_64 at 2018-06-02 13:05
Built : Wind River <info@windriver.com> at 2018-04-27 08:36
Committed: Wind River <info@windriver.com> at 2018-04-27
```

Mapping the NX-OS CLI to the DNF Commands

See the following table for mapping the NX-OS CLI to the DNF commands:

Table 6: Patching Command Reference

NX-OS CLI Commands	DNF Commands
show install inactive	dnf listpatch-only available
show install active	dnf listpatch-only installed
show install committed	dnf listpatch-only committed
show install packages	dnf listpatch-only
show install pkg-info	dnf infopatch-only

NX-OS CLI Commands	DNF Commands
show install log	dnf historyshow-patch-log
	where log_cmd:
	• opid= - Log that is specific to an operation ID.
	• last - Shows the latest operation log.
	• reverse – Shows the log in reverse order.
	• detail – Show detailed log.
	• from= - Shows logging from a specific operation ID.
clear install log	dnf historyclear-patch-log=
	where clear_log_cmd:
	• all - Clears the complete log.
	• - Clears the logs above this operation ID.
install add	dnf installadd bootflash:/
install remove	dnf installremove
install remove inactive	dnf installremove all
install activate	dnf installno-persistnocommit
	Note By default, all packages are activated and committed.
install deactivate	dnf erasenocommit
	Note By default, all packages are de-activated and committed.
install commit	dnf installcommit
Install commit	dnf installcommit all

Configuring an FTP server and Setting up a Local FTP YUM Repository

For setting up a local FTP YUM repository, you have to first create an FTP server, create a local FTP YUM repository, and configure the Cisco NX-OS switch to reach the FTP server as outlined in the following illustration.

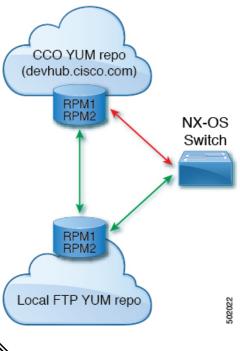


Figure 2: Configuring an FTP server and Setting up a Local FTP YUM Repository

Note

For Cisco NX-OS Release 10.1(1), visit https://devhub.cisco.com/artifactory/open-nxos/10.1.1/ for Cisco open-nxos repository.

Creating an FTP Server on Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 (RHEL7) Virtual Machine

Complete the following steps to create an FTP server on Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 (RHEL7) Virtual Machine (VM):

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. dnf install vsftpd
- 2. systemctl start vsftpd
- 3. systemctl status vsftpd
- 4. firewall-cmd --zone=public --permanent --add-port=21/tcp
- 5. firewall-cmd --zone=public --permanent --add-service=ftp
- 6. firewall-cmd --reload
- **7.** wget ftp:// <ip of FTP server> /test.txt

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	dnf install vsftpd	Installs vsftpd, an FTP server.
Step 2	systemctl start vsftpd	Starts the FTP Server.
Step 3	systemctl status vsftpd	Checks the status of the FTP Server.
Step 4	firewall-cmdzone=publicpermanent add-port=21/tcp	Allows access to the FTP services from the external systems and opens port 21.
Step 5	firewall-cmdzone=publicpermanent add-service=ftp	Adds the FTP service.
Step 6	firewall-cmdreload	Reloads the server.
Step 7	wget ftp:// <ip ftp="" of="" server=""> /test.txt</ip>	Hosts a file in the FTP server (for example, test.txt) and attempts Wget of that file.
		Note Note that /var/ftp/ is the default home directory of the FTP server.

Creating a Local FTP YUM Repository

Complete the following steps to synchronize the external repository RPMs to the FTP server and create a local FTP YUM repository:

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. touch /etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo
- 2. vim/etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo
- 3. cat/etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo
- 4. dnf repolist
- **5. nohup reposync -r** < repo-name mentioned in the local.repo> -**p** < directory path to sync>&
- 6. tail -f nouhup.out

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	touch /etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo Example: bash-4.3#touch /etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo	Creates a repository file under /etc/yum.repos.d/, for example, creates local.repo repository and adds the base URL.
Step 2	vim /etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo	Edit the repository file and copy the localrepo details.
	Example: bash-4.3#vim /etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo	Note Modify the base URL to the required repository URL.
	[localrepo] name=localrepo baseurl= https://devhub.cisco.com/artifactory/open-nxos/7.0-3-I2-1/x86_64/ enabled=1 gpgcheck=0 sslverify=0	
Step 3	cat /etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo	Verify the local repository data to proceed further.
	Example:	
	bash-4.3#cat /etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo	
	[localrepo] name=localrepo baseurl= https://devhub.cisco.com/artifactory/open-nxos/7.0-3-I2-1/x86_64/ enabled=1 gpgcheck=0 sslverify=0	
Step 4	dnf repolist	Checks the reachability of the repository.
	Example:	
	bash-4.3# dnf repolist Loaded plugins: fastestmirror, langpacks Loading mirror speeds from cached hostfile * base: mirror.dhakacom.com * extras: mirror.dhakacom.com * updates: mirror.dhakacom.com repo id repo name status base/7/x86_64 CentOS-7 - Base 9,911 extras/7/x86_64 CentOS-7 - Extras 313 localrepo localrepo 687 updates/7/x86_64 CentOS-7 - Updates 711 repolist: 11,622	
Step 5	nohup reposync -r < <i>repo-name mentioned in the local.repo></i> -p < <i>directory path to sync></i> &	Synchronizes all the packages from the external repository to the FTP server home directory.
	Example:	
	nohup reposync -r localrepo -p /var/ftp/ &	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	This command creates a directory with the name local.repo inside /var/ftp/ and downloads all the packages from devhub.cisco.com to the directory.	
Step 6	tail -f nouhup.out	Checks the status of the synchronization.

Configuring a Switch to Reach an FTP Server

Complete the following steps to configure a switch to reach an FTP server:

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. run bash sudo su
- 2. ip netns exec management ping <ip_address>
- 3. touch /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo
- 4. vim /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo
- 5. cat /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo
- 6. ip netns exec management bash
- 7. dnf repolist
- 8. dnf list available

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	run bash sudo su	Logs in as a sudo user.
Step 2	ip netns exec management ping <ip_address></ip_address>	Checks the reachability of the FTP server address from the switch using the ping command.
Step 3	touch /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo Example: bash-4.3#touch /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo	Creates a repository file under /etc/yum/repos.d/, for example, creates ftp.repo repository.
Step 4	vim /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo	Edit the repository file and copy the ftp repo details.
	Example: bash-4.3#vim /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo	Note Modify the base URL to the required ftp server IP.
	<pre>[ftp] name=ftp baseurl= ftp://198.51.100.1/localrepo/ enabled=1 gpgcheck=0 sslverify=0</pre>	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	cat /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo	Creates a repository file on the switch with the FTP server
	Example:	address as the URL.
	<pre>bash-4.3# cat /etc/yum/repos.d/ftp.repo [ftp] name=ftp baseurl=ftp://198.51.100.1/localrepo/ enabled=1 gpgcheck=0 sslverify=0</pre>	
Step 6	ip netns exec management bash	Uses the Bash shell prompt.
Step 7	dnf repolist	Checks the reachability of newly created repository.
	Example:	
	bash-4.3# dnf repolist Loaded plugins: downloadonly, importpubkey, localrpmDB, patchaction, patching, : protect-packages groups-repo 1.1 kB 00:00 localdb 951 B 00:00 patching 951 B 00:00 thirdparty 951 B 00:00 thirdparty/primary 758 B 00:00 thirdparty 1/1 repo id repo name status groups-repo Groups-RPM Database 37 localdb Local RPM Database 0 patching Patch-RPM Database 0 thirdparty Thirdparty RPM Database 1 ftp ftp 686 repolist: 724	
Step 8	dnf list available	Lists the available packages in the new repository.

Creating User Roles for Install Operation

The **install** command is only available to the users of admin role. The **install** command can be available to a user by RBAC. See *Guidelines and Limitations for User Accounts and RBAC* for the same in the *Cisco Nexus 3600 NX-OS Security Configuration Guide*.

Compacting Cisco NX-OS Software Images



Note

This feature is deprecated from Cisco NX-OS Release 10.5(2)F

Cisco NX-OS software image compaction reduces the size of the image file before completing a copy request. Use SCP, HTTP, or HTTPS as the source and bootflash or USB as the destination. The following example uses SCP and bootflash:

switch# copy scp://user@scpserver.cisco.com//download/nxos64.10.1.1.bin
bootflash:nxos64.10.1.1.bin compact vrf management use-kstack

user1@10.65.42.196's password:
nxos64.10.1.1.bin 100% 1501MB 8.4MB/s 02:58
Copy complete, now saving to disk (please wait)...
Copy complete.

The **compact** keyword compacts the NX-OS image before copying the file to the supervisor module.



Note

Software image compaction is only supported on SCP, HTTP, or HTTPS. If you attempt compaction with any other protocol, the system returns the following error:

Compact option is allowed only with source as scp/http/https and destination as bootflash or usb



Note

Compacted images are not supported with LXC boot mode.



Note

Software image compaction is only supported on Cisco Nexus 9300-series platform switches.

Compacting Cisco NX-OS Software Images